

among us. The Simmons' family gives all they can and never gives up. They are the eptiomy of what a committed, forever family, is all about. For this, I want to recognize, honor, and thank them for their passion and dedication and for being true angels in adoption I admire.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2009, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 24, 2010, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1674. An act to provide for an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3717. An act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide for certain disclosures under section 552 of title 5, United States Code, (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), and for other purposes.

S. 3814. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until September 30, 2011.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE).

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1517) to allow certain U.S. Customs and Border protection employees who serve under an overseas limited appointment for at least 2 years, and whose service is rated fully successful or higher throughout that time, to be converted to a permanent appointment in the competitive service.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Assistant Secretary of the Senate reported that on September 24,

2010, during the adjournment of the Senate, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1674. An act to provide for an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3717. An act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide for certain disclosures under section 552 of title 5, United States Code, (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), and for other purposes.

S. 3814. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until September 30, 2011.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-7540. A communication from the Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Competitive and Noncompetitive Non-formula Federal Assistance Programs—Specific Administrative Provisions for the New Era Rural Technology Competitive Grants Program" (RIN0524-AA60) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7541. A communication from the Secretary, Office of the Chief Accountant, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Internal Control Over Financial Reporting in Exchange Act Periodic Reports of Non-Accelerated Filers" (5 U.S.C. Section 801) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7542. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Regulations; Technical Corrections and Minor Substantive Changes" (RIN0648-AX34) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7543. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Gulf of the Farallones, Monterey Bay and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Technical Corrections" (RIN0648-AY20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7544. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Regulations on the Use of Spearfishing Gear; Correction" (RIN0648-AX37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2010; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7545. A communication from the Deputy Chief Counsel for Regulations and Security Standards, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Enforcement Procedures" (RIN1652-AA62) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7546. A communication from the Chief of Recovery and Delisting Branch, Endangered Species Program, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassification of the Oregon Chub From Endangered to Threatened" (RIN1018-AW42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7547. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling—Over the Counter Drugs" (Rev. Rul. 2010-23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7548. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Care and Development Fund Report to Congress for Fiscal Years 2006 and 2007"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7549. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Annual Report on Disability-Related Air Travel Complaints; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7550. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cardiovascular Devices; Reclassification of Certain Percutaneous Transluminal Coronary Angioplasty (PTCA) Catheters" (Docket No. FDA-2000-P-0924) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7551. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report entitled "Report to Congress on a Plan for The Proposed Head Start Program Designation Renewal System"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7552. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report to Congress by the Interagency Access to Health Care in Alaska Task Force; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7553. A communication from the Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "DHS Privacy Office 2010 Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-142. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California urging